

**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
DISTRICT OF NORTH DAKOTA**

IN RE:)
)
REQUIRED FORM AND PROCEDURE)
FOR REAFFIRMATION AGREEMENTS)
PURSUANT TO THE BANKRUPTCY)
ABUSE PREVENTION AND CONSUMER)
PROTECTION ACT OF 2005)
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_____)

GENERAL ORDER

The court has determined that amendments to Bankruptcy Code §524, pursuant to the Bankruptcy Abuse Prevention and Consumer Protection Act of 2005, make necessary the use of a standardized Reaffirmation Agreement form. Accordingly, **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED**, effective October 17, 2005, that:

1. All Reaffirmation Agreements filed with the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of North Dakota shall be prepared and submitted for filing utilizing Procedure Form B-240, Reaffirmation Agreement, attached hereto as Exhibit No.1.
2. Reaffirmation Agreements which are filed and contain deficiencies will be deemed incomplete and a hearing notice will be issued outlining the deficiencies and setting the matter for hearing at least fifteen (15) days after the mailing of the notice. Deficiencies which will cause the Reaffirmation Agreement to be incomplete include, but are not limited to:
 - a. Improper Form or Format (i.e. a form other than B-240);
 - b. Lack of requisite signatures on form;
 - c. Filed without a Motion for Approval of Reaffirmation Agreement (Pro Se filers only); or
 - d. Existence of presumption of undue hardship.

3. Paragraph 2(d) shall not apply to Reaffirmation Agreements filed by a credit union or reaffirmation agreements involving real property.
4. The clerk of court shall issue a notice cancelling a hearing set pursuant to Paragraph 2 of this Order, only upon the curing of deficiencies to this court's satisfaction within ten (10) days of the date of the original notice setting hearing.

Dated: 10/14/2005

/s/ WILLIAM A. HILL

WILLIAM A. HILL, JUDGE
U.S. BANKRUPTCY COURT